

**WRITTEN OPINION OF THE
INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY**

International application No.
PCT/US2005/002425

Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Yes: Claims	
	No: Claims	1,2
Inventive step (IS)	Yes: Claims	
	No: Claims	1,2
Industrial applicability (IA)	Yes: Claims	1,2
	No: Claims	

2. Citations and explanations

see separate sheet

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1 Reference is made to the following documents:

D1 : US 2002/175931 A1 (HOLTZ ALEX ET AL) 28 November 2002 (2002-11-28)

D2 : US 5 307 456 A (MACKAY ET AL) 26 April 1994 (1994-04-26)

2 INDEPENDENT CLAIM 1

2.1 The present application does not meet the criteria of Article 33(1) PCT, because the subject-matter of claim 1 is not new in the sense of Article 33(2) PCT. Document **D1** discloses (the references in parentheses applying to this document):

A method of controlling at least one production device for producing a television show (figure 1), comprising the steps of:

- establishing a plurality of states of the at least one production device, each state corresponding to at least one operation executable by the device (abstract, "transition macro");
- storing the states of the at least one production device as corresponding memory objects which upon execution cause the one production device to execute the at least one operation, which results in generation of a scene (abstract, "set of video production commands")
- responsive to selection of each memory object, actuating at least one actuator to control an operation of the at least one production device in accordance with the at least one operation associated with that state memory object (claim 88).

2.2 The present application does not meet the criteria of Article 33(1) PCT, because the subject-matter of claim 1 is not new in the sense of Article 33(2) PCT. Document **D2** discloses (the references in parentheses applying to this document):

A method of controlling at least one production device for producing a television show (figure 7), comprising the steps of:

- establishing a plurality of states of the at least one production device, each state corresponding to at least one operation executable by the device (abstract, "device translator");
- storing the states of the at least one production device as corresponding memory objects which upon execution cause the one production device to execute the at least one operation, which results in generation of a scene (abstract, "commands")

- responsive to selection of each memory object, actuating at least one actuator to control an operation of the at least one production device in accordance with the at least one operation associated with that state memory object (abstract, "user interface").

3 INDEPENDENT CLAIM 2

3.1

Claim 2 is the apparatus associated with the method of claim 1. Therefore similar argumentations as above applies and thus the present application does not meet the criteria of Article 33(1) PCT, because the subject-matter of claim 2 is not new in the sense of Article 33(2) PCT.